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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

July 11, 2001

Sir:

Responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on May 11, 2001 (a copy of which is attached hereto), Applicants hereby respectfully notify the Office that the correct spelling of the fourth listed Inventor is

"Masanobu YASUI".

According to the procedure explained in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) §201.03, Applicants make note that an error in spelling occurred in the Inventor's name as reflected in the PCT publication WO00/20033. Specifically, the inventor's name was spelled as "Masanori YASUI" in WO00/20033. However, the

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inventor's correctly spelled name is "Masanobu YASUI", as explained above. Accordingly, it is submitted that the Declaration and Power of Attorney, filed on April 5, 2001 complies with the rules.

Further and favorable action is therefore requested.

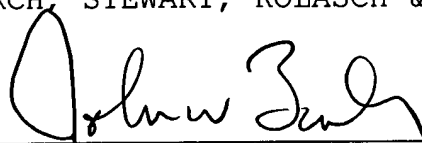
If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, he/she is requested to contact Kristi L. Rupert, Ph.D. (Reg. No. 45,702) at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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